



Commencement

Winter 2008

Fifty-first Commencement

10:00 a.m. • Saturday • December 13, 2008

Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance" Elgar
Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble

Invocation Dr. Delores Honey
Assistant Vice President, Assessment and Institutional Research, Missouri Southern State University

Welcome and Introductions Dr. Bruce Speck
President, Missouri Southern State University

Address Ms. Jane Wyman
Missouri Southern State University Board of Governors (1996-2001, 2003-2008)

Presentation of Class Dr. John Messick
Vice President for Academic Affairs, Missouri Southern State University

Conferring of Degrees Dr. Bruce Speck

Presentation of Diplomas

Congratulatory Remarks Dr. Carla Huntington
Faculty Senate President, Missouri Southern State University

Announcement of Academic Honors Dr. Bruce Speck

Turning of the Tassel Ms. Jenny Richards, '86
President, Missouri Southern Alumni Board

Service Recognition Mr. Dwight Douglas
Chair, Missouri Southern State University Board of Governors

MSSU Alma Mater (See Page 11) Mr. Aaron Decker
Graduating Senior, Vocal Music Education, Neosho

Benediction Dr. Delores Honey

Recessional "Sine Nomine" R. V. Williams & E. Rosenberg
Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble

Sign Language Interpreter Mrs. Mary Zustiak

Please remain standing until recessional is completed. • Please turn off all beepers/cell phones.



Missouri Southern State University
Commencement Speaker

*J*ane Wyman has a long history of leadership and service to Missouri Southern State University. She is an attorney in Joplin and served as a member of the Board of Regents from 1996 to 2001. In 2001 she was appointed to a new judgeship in Jasper County by Gov. Bob Holden, which required her to step down from her position on the Board. After leaving her judgeship, Gov. Holden reappointed Ms. Wyman to the University's Board of Governors in 2003. She completed her second term in August.

She is a former assistant prosecuting attorney for Jasper County and Associate Circuit Judge. She earned an undergraduate degree from Missouri Southern and received her law degree from the University of Tulsa.

She is a member of the Jasper County Bar Association, the Missouri Bar Association, and a member of the Board of Directors for the Jasper County Association for Social Services, Inc.

Candidates for Honors & Degrees

Baccalaureate Degrees

Summa Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.90 or above

Adams, Brittany
Bergen, Stephenie ‡
Blystone, Freddie
Brown, Amanda

Ensor, Julie
Epperson, Carol
Frerer, Dara
Huddleston, Holly

Jones, Scarlet ‡
Lahm, Derek
Neuenschwander, Autumn
Oxendine, Lauren †

Prestridge, Amanda
Saylor, Kamie
Soper, Megan
Todd, Keith

Magna Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Bado, Colin
Brockman, Esther
Clawson, Shawna

Davis, Amy
Duncan, Amber
Gray, Jennifer

Guthrie, Cathy
Lowry, Carolyn
Morris, Jamie

Reed, Jenna
Stidham, Stephanie

Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Berger, Caroll
Carney, Amanda
Davis, Brandie

Dodge, Charles
Hayes, Lindsey
Kartchner, Colleen

Lipscomb, Robert
Noll, Henry
Shirley, Darin

Smith, Jeffrey
Wade, Karen
Willis, Corrie

Associate Degrees

Second Honors

Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Schutterle, Casey

Third Honors

Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Overton, Donna

School of Arts & Sciences

Bachelor of Arts

Ammons, Joshua Samuel

English
Joplin

Ballew, David Michael

English
Carthage

Bergen, Stephenie Rhema ‡

Spanish
Carthage

Boman-Garbet, Charles Melvin

Aaron
History
Granby

Dodge, Charles Joseph

Art
Garden City, KS

Duncan, Amber Nicole

English
Joplin

Eidson, Austin C.

Art
Joplin

Ensor, Julie Marie

German
Joplin

Frerer, Dara Lyssa

Communication
Joplin

Hancock, Nicholas Adam

Political Science
Walnut Grove

Johnston, Karley Jo

Art
Lamar

Kastler, Kyle Alan

Spanish
Altamont, KS

Klinginsmith, Jill Suzanne

Political Science
Carthage

Meeker, Bethany M.

English
Joplin

Michaud, Briana Estelle *

Communication
Webb City

Morgan, Travis Floyd

International Studies
Joplin

Natividad IV, Albert C.

Communication
Joplin

Noll, Henry Tyler

International Studies
Joplin

Overstreet, Denise L.

English
Lamar

Oxendine, Lauren Elizabeth †

International Studies
Joplin

Pryor, Lucas Bryan

Sociology
Joplin

Schuster, Heather Lynn

English
Joplin

Silvey, Carol Elaine

History
Duenweg

Warren, Whitney Nicole

Communication
Joplin

Whetstone, Paul David

Music
Joplin

Bachelor of Science

Adamson, Casondra Marie

Biology
Joplin

Aleshire, Chase Andrew

Mathematics
Joplin

Anderson, Adree Nicole

Biology, Environmental Health
Joplin

Bettels, Adam Michael

Biology
Butler

Burns, Daniel Wayne

Environmental Health
Joplin

Burrow, Whittney Nicole

Sociology
Webb City

Butler, Sara Ann

Sociology
Joplin

Canada, Monique Sharae

Biology
St. Peters

Hancock, Nicholas Adam

Political Science
Walnut Grove

Lewis, John Andrew

Environmental Health
Joplin

Lindsey, Taylor W.

Biology
Seneca

Monroe-Cope, Erica D.

Sociology
Joplin

Obermann, Brian Glenn

Environmental Health
Monett

Parker, Scott David

Communication
Webb City

Pryor, Lucas Bryan

Sociology
Joplin

Rogers, Marc Richard

Biology
Lebo, KS

Simek III, Leonard F.
Biochemistry
Joplin

Thompson, Lesley Lenn
Biology
Galena, KS

Williams, Lisa Jean
Sociology
Rich Hill

Williams, Tiffany Tierra
Sociology
Belton

School of Business Administration

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Alexander, Bruce Eric
Marketing
Owasso, OK

Bado, Colin Ryder
Marketing
McKinney, TX

Banks, Jacqueline D.
Management
Fairview

Bentley, Lisa LeAnn
Accounting
Carthage

Blystone, Freddie Lee
Accounting
Webb City

Bradley, Jacquelyn Marie
Management
Joplin

Brewer, Melanie Renee
Management
Carl Junction

Brown, Amanda Leigh
General Business
Diamond

Buckley, Amanda Rose
Management
Valencia, CA

Bunn, Alesha Lorene
Accounting
Altamont, KS

Carden, Stephanie Renae
Marketing
Joplin

Chandler, Kady Ryan
General Business
Reeds

Cook, Jordan Michael
Accounting
Shawnee, KS

Cotton, Evie Belinda
Management
Joplin

Cox, Amy Elizabeth
Marketing
Joplin

Cummings, Dawnielle Nicole
Management
Carl Junction

Daniels, Ashley Brooke
Marketing
Webb City

Daulton, Brandy Kay
Accounting
Grove, OK

Davis, Brandie A.
Accounting
Joplin

De Freitas, Vedita Delcion
Management, Finance/Economics
Joplin

Dotterer, David Joseph
Accounting
Jasper

Earhart, Tatiana Lisette
Accounting
Joplin

Eckerman, Joshua Travis
Accounting
Webb City

Elsay, Amanda Rachelle
Accounting
Verona

Evans, Cassidee Rochelle
Marketing
Joplin

Farran, Kerry Elizabeth
Management
Joplin

Galloup, Anya Lorraine
Management
Joplin

Goth, Anderson Callaway
Accounting
Clinton

Green, Victoria Lynn
Accounting
Nevada

Gronewold, Elizabeth Marie
Management
Joplin

Grove, Sean Terrell
International Business
Joplin

Guthrie, Cathy L.
Accounting
Grove, OK

Gutierrez, Luis Alfonso Luna
Finance/Economics
Carthage

Hall, Michelle Marie
General Business
Lee's Summit

Hay, Sherrann Marie
General Business
Republic

Hembree, Sherry JoAnn
General Business
Joplin

Horine, Christopher Loren
Management
Odessa, TX

Huddleston, Holly Jean
General Business
Springfield

Hutchings, Phillip Brandon
Accounting
Greenwood

Kelley, Jason Ray
Management
Carl Junction

Kim, Mi-ryeong
International Business
South Korea

Lahr Joseph James Earl
Marketing
Washburn

Lawrence, Cameron Ross
Marketing
Joplin

Lipscomb, Robert Tyler
Management
Carthage

Lowry, Carolyn L.
Marketing
Carl Junction

Maggard, Adam Joseph
Accounting
Joplin

Martinson, Lora de Ann Kathleen
Management
Monett

McLean, Coloma A.C.
Finance/Economics
Tortola, BVI

Moorehouse, Brock Allen
Accounting
Joplin

Newman, Ronell L.
General Business
Raytown

Nicholson, Matthew Thomas
Marketing
Joplin

Osborn, Linsey Rachelle
General Business
Kaiser

Peirick, Keith William
Accounting, Management
Beaufort

Pinta, Daniel Charles
Management
Carl Junction

Rhoads, Crystal Lynn
Marketing
Kansas City

Robinson, David Bret
Accounting
Mt. Vernon

Robinson, Justin Michael
Marketing
Joplin

Russell, Charles Lynn
Management
Neosho

Ryan, Diana K.
General Business
Webb City

Schnedler, Jessica Laine
Management
Leawood, KS

**Schutzenhofer, Daniel Albert
Walter**
International Business, Marketing
Lamar

Scott, Cynthia Louise
Accounting
Joplin

Sento, Kayoko
International Business
Agawa-gun Kochi, Japan

Sheafer, Luke Anthony
Marketing
De Soto, KS

Singh, Robert Joseph
Accounting
Joplin

Smith, Jeffrey Ross
Management
Joplin

Snyder, Jason W.
Marketing
Joplin

Stebbins, Candace Lorinda
General Business
Diamond

Stidham, Stephanie Marie
Accounting
Carterville

Taylor, Krystal Hope
Finance/Economics
Traverse City, MI

Tidwell, Joe Nathan
Marketing
Euless, TX

Timi, Jerimy Dustin
General Business
Joplin

West, Jeremiah Ray
Management
Carthage

Westphal, Angela Naomi
Marketing
Skiatook, OK

Williams, Christopher M.
Management
Joplin

Woods, Stephanie Renee
Management
Monett

Bachelor of Science

Russell, Charles Lynn
Management Technology
Neosho

School of Education

Bachelor of Arts

Rader, Tabatha Jean

Psychology
Webb City

Saylor, Kamie Rochelle

Psychology
Carthage

Shirley, Darin Lee

Psychology
Joplin

Bachelor of Science

Baker, Courtney Monique

Psychology
Kansas City

Clark, Grant Lee

Health Promotion & Wellness
Joplin

Ford, Stephanie Kathryn

Psychology
Neosho

Self, Jessica Meagan

Health Promotion & Wellness
Neosho

Ballmer, Peggy Ann

Psychology
Joplin

Clawson, Shawna Suzanne

Psychology
Neosho

Gilmore, Alisha LuAnn

Psychology
Baxter Springs, KS

Shumaker, Dustin Eugene

Psychology
Osceola

Berger, Carol P.

Psychology
Joplin

Edwards, Leticia Marie

Psychology
Carl Junction

Gullett, Craig William

Health Promotion & Wellness
Carl Junction

Wade, Karen Ann

Psychology
Mount Vernon

Brundige, Melissa Ann

Psychology
Nevada

Bachelor of Science in Education

Adams, Brittany Nicole

Business Education
Webb City

Carney, Amanda Beth

English Education
Rogers, AR

Donaldson, Matthew Scott

Business Education
Galena, KS

Evans, Tracy Ranee

English Education
Cartersville

Bennett, Gary D.

Social Science /History Education
Goodman

Carper, Samuel J.

Elementary Education
Grove, OK

Douthit, Jilliam Erin Lyne

Elementary Education
Wyandotte, OK

Forst, Stacia Dawnielle

English Education
Lamar

Branstetter, Chris Lee

Physical Education
Purdy

Cassatt, Hilary Renee

Elementary Education
Webb City

Dunham, Patricia L.

Elementary Education
Carthage

Frencken, Megan *

Elementary Education
Neosho

Brown, Katelyn Elizabeth

Elementary Education
Joplin

Davis, Amy Ellen

Physical Education
Fenton

England, Kaitlyn Ruth

Elementary Education
Libby, MT

Garnett, Thane Thomas

Math Education
Duenweg

Calven, Anna R.

Elementary Education
Valley Center, KS

Decker, Aaron Russell

Music Education
Neosho

Epperson, Carol Ann

Elementary Education
Southwest City

Gragg, Mikel William

Physical Education K-12
Nevada

Gray, Jennifer Marie
Elementary Education
Joplin

Hayes, Lindsey Joell
Physical Education
Carl Junction

Jones, Scarlet ‡
Elementary Education
Carthage

Kartchner, Colleen Holt
Speech and Theatre Education
Carl Junction

Kohley, Christina Ann
Middle School Education
Sandia, TX

Lahm, Derek Jacob
Social Science/History Education
Carl Junction

Littlefield, Amanda *
Elementary Education
Stella

Lowry, Jessica Dawn
English Education
Joplin

Loyd, Donna Louise
Physical Education
Joplin

McCluskey, Ryan *
Biology/Unified Science Education
Moberly

McFadden, Rachel *
Elementary Education
Joplin

Mendez, Diana Jasmin
Spanish Education
Neosho

Moreland, Vanessa Lyn
Elementary Education
Neosho

Morris, Jamie Lynn
Elementary Education
Joplin

Neuenschwander, Autumn Marie
Art Education
Joplin

Patterson, Janice Louise
Elementary Education
Granby

Patterson, Melissa Logan
Social Studies Education
Joplin

Perry, Rachel Janel
English Education
Corbin, KY

Prestridge, Amanda Marie
Elementary Education
Skiatook, OK

Reed, Jenna Zay
Business Education
Altamont, KS

Roper, Ashley Janelle
Elementary Education
Caney, KS

Ross, Jamie Leigh
Elementary Education
Joplin

Schroeder, Kimberly Jean
Business Education
Monett

Sewell, Jennifer Rae
Elementary Education
Webb City

Soper, Megan Sue
English Education
Carthage

Tilton, Arieanna Len
Elementary Education
Carthage

Todd, Keith Joshua Lee
History Education
Huntsville, AR

Tuck, Nick Adam
Physical Education
Lamar

Vaughn, Angela RaChel
Elementary Education
Golden City

Willis, Corrie Dawn
Business Education
Neosho

Woolard, Ryan Adam
Physical Education
Stella

Wooldridge, Katherine J.
Music Education
Carthage

Wynn, Tawana Garrison
Elementary Education
Carthage

Younger, Deanna Marie
Elementary Education
Oronogo

School of Technology

Bachelor of Science

Arjona, Tiffanie Laray
Criminal Justice Administration
Aurora

Bekas, Dayna Lynn
Health Science
Monett

Blanchard, Nathan Jay
Computer Information Science
Lamar

Braun, Jessica Diane
Criminal Justice Administration
Nevada

Brenner, Misty Dawn
Criminal Justice Administration
Del City, OK

Brown, Anna Marie
Criminal Justice Administration
Springfield

Bull, Ansley R.
Health Science
Joplin

Burleson, Starr Marie
Health Science
Duenweg

Cook, Jordan Michael
Criminal Justice Administration
Shawnee, KS

Cooper, Andrew Wynton
Criminal Justice Administration
Springfield

Davis, William Eric
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Deras, Luke Francis
Criminal Justice Administration
Webb City

Ebersold, Arica Joan
Criminal Justice Administration
Chicago, IL

Farrar, Lindsay Faye
Criminal Justice Administration
Steelville

Flory, Daniel Jim
Computer Information Science
Joplin

Fry, Elizabeth Arlene
Criminal Justice Administration
Duenweg

Garcia, Megan Louise
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Gilliam, Brittany Lea
Health Science
Joplin

Jones, Keven Shane
Criminal Justice Administration
Neosho

Keys, Tasha Lashun
Health Science
Laurel, MS

Lehman, Brittanii J.
Health Science
Carl Junction

Loomis, Chris Scott
Criminal Justice Administration
Computer Information Science
Joplin

Messner, Susan Joy
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Miles, Edward D.
Criminal Justice Administration
Dallas, TX

Mobley, Betty Sue
Criminal Justice Administration
Webb City

Montgomery, Kima L.
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Musgrave, Tracey Ann
Criminal Justice Administration
Neosho

Nelson, Erla Marie
Criminal Justice Administration
Waldron, AR

Osburn, Dustin Kelly
Criminal Justice Administration
Neodesha, KS

Redmond, Darrell Lamont
Criminal Justice Administration
Phoenix, AZ

Robbins, Abby Leigh
Criminal Justice Administration
Juvenile Justice
Ozark

Rosenbohm, Mary Kathryn
Computer Information Science
Joplin

Roux, Evan D.
Criminal Justice Administration
Carthage

Schermacher, Jessica Lynn
Criminal Justice Administration
Siloam Springs, AR

Selsor, Derek Robery
Criminal Justice Administration
Nevada

Senkle, Lisa Marie
Criminal Justice Administration
Tracy, CA

Smith, Erin Heather
Health Science
Miami, OK

Smith, Shanica Laurrata
Computer Information Science,
Criminal Justice Administration
Road Town, Tortola, BVI

Spinks, Robert Vernon
Criminal Justice Administration
Hacienda Heights, CA

Stewart, Mechelle Lynne
Criminal Justice Administration
Carl Junction

Tittle, J. Ellis
Criminal Justice Administration
Eldorado Springs

Wallace, Crystal M.
Criminal Justice Administration
Wyandotte, OK

Wescott, Brock Allen
Criminal Justice Administration
Carthage

Wickstrom, Emily Kate
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Wright, George Blake
Criminal Justice Administration
Conway, AR

Bachelor of General Studies

Brockman, Esther Wineva
General Studies
Washington

Daulton, Chelsie Danielle
General Studies
Osceola

Dodson, Sherry D.
General Studies
Sedalia

Dogotch, Kandi Danielle
General Studies
Joplin

Dowden, Phillip John
General Studies
Cabool

Elsten, Justin Tye
General Studies
Carl Junction

Harden, Madison Rachelle
General Studies
Baxter Springs, KS

Hermann, Jennifer Nicole
General Studies
Duenweg

Higdon, Christina Lynne
General Studies
Joplin

Hill, Natalie Ann
General Studies
Carthage

Hines, Michael A. **
General Studies
Miami, FL

Hoyt, Crystal N.
General Studies
Joplin

Krebs, Christopher Dean
General Studies
Mt. Vernon

Lawson, Cheryl Anne
General Studies
Neosho

Leggitt, Victoria Rae
General Studies
Joplin

McMillian, Garen D.
General Studies
Joplin

Piontek, Ashley Renee
General Studies
St. Clair

Shriver, Susan D.
General Studies
Webb City

Stoessel, Neil J.
General Studies
Papillion, NE

Thomas, Chaunte Felicia
General Studies
Joplin

Tyler, Kaney N.
General Studies
Lawrence, KS

Van Dyke, Nicholas Alan
General Studies
St. Joseph

Wooden, Angela V.
General Studies
Joplin

Associate of Science

Aquino, Eunice L.
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Arjona, Tiffanie Laray
Law Enforcement
Aurora

Blackwell, Angela Marie
Respiratory Therapy
Lamar

Blanchard, Nathan Jay
Computer Information Science
Lamar

Braun, Jessica Diane
Law Enforcement
Nevada

Brenner, Misty Dawn
Law Enforcement
Del City, OK

Cook, Jordan Michael
Law Enforcement
Shawnee, KS

Cooper, Andrew Wynton
Law Enforcement
Springfield

Cox, Nathan Cole
Computer Information Science
Joplin

Cuthbert, Teresa Lynn
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Davis, William Eric
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Deras, Luke Francis
Law Enforcement
Webb City

Ebersold, Arica Joan
Law Enforcement
Chicago, IL

Flory, Daniel Jim
Computer Information Science
Joplin

Garcia, Megan Louise
Law Enforcement
Joplin

Gerbitz, Satia LeAnn
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Hembree, Faron Wess
Respiratory Therapy
Seneca

Holloway, Casey Lee
Computer Information Science
Mt. Vernon

Jones, Keven Shane
Law Enforcement
Neosho

Link, Brandy Michelle
Computer Information Science
Webb City

Nelson, Erla Marie
Law Enforcement
Waldron, AR

Overton, Donna Lynn
Respiratory Therapy
Neosho

Prudlick, Derek Joseph
Respiratory Therapy
Baxter Springs, KS

Redmond, Darrell Lamont
Law Enforcement
Phoenix, AZ

Robbins, Abby Leigh
Law Enforcement
Ozark

Roux, Evan D.
Law Enforcement
Carthage

Schermacher, Jessica Lynn
Law Enforcement
Siloam Springs, AR

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Respiratory Therapy
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Selsor, Derek Robert
Law Enforcement
Nevada

Senkle, Lisa Marie
Law Enforcement
Tracy, CA

Spinks, Robert Vernon
Law Enforcement
Hacienda Heights, CA

Stewart, Mechelle Lynne
Law Enforcement
Carl Junction

Tittle, J. Ellis
Law Enforcement
Eldorado Springs

Uto, Chareese Lynn
Respiratory Therapy
Joplin

Wallace, Crystal M.
Law Enforcement
Wyandotte, OK

Wescott, Brock Allen
Law Enforcement
Carthage

Wilkinson, Mary Wyvette
Respiratory Therapy
Lockwood

Wilkinson, Whitney Leigh
Respiratory Therapy
Fulton, KS

Wilson, Melinda Rene
Respiratory Therapy
Grove, OK

ALMA MATER

Words by Mary Laird,
Class of '39

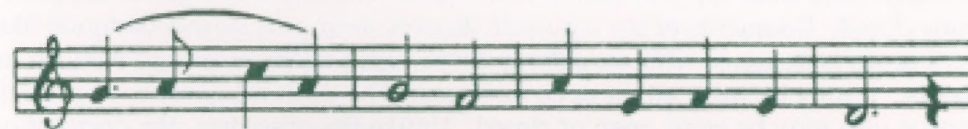
Music by Emerson Jackson,
Class of '39



Our Al - ma Ma - ter, we ho - nor thee,



shap - ing and guid - ing our de - sti - ny.



Af - ter we have part - ed as the years roll by;



we'll keep each me - mo - ry hail, hail to thee.

Missouri Southern State University's "Alma Mater" was drafted during the Joplin Junior College second year by a group that included Mary Laird, Joan Epperson, Enos Currey, Ellen Beasley, and Emerson Jackson. Laird was principally responsible for the lyrics while Jackson set it to music. It was first sung during a Class-Day program in 1939.

Academic Attire

As early as the twelfth century the first modern universities, at Bologna and Paris, were centers of European learning. The usual garb of the time, for both churchmen and laymen, was a long gown which was necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings of the day. Scholars, generally members of church orders, wore such robes and also hoods to protect their shaven heads. Later, skull caps were worn on the head, and the hood became a cape which could be pulled over the head in unpleasant weather. The hood was also sometimes used to collect alms from the more affluent members of the community. As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adopted by their faculties. Variations indicated ranks within the institutions. Strict rules were published and in some cases punishment cited for tailors who departed from the authorized design.

The academic hat was a later development, adapted from the headdress of the ordinary people. Academically, it was originally worn as a symbol of the master's degree, and existed in various forms: some were round, some square and some had a tuft in the center. The flat, square "mortar board" of today originated at Oxford University in England.

Academic costume came to America in 1754 with the founding of King's College, now Columbia University. Styles became quite varied as they were in Europe, but in 1895 a group of American college and university representatives met to establish a uniform system of academic apparel for this country. This led to the establishment in 1902 of an "Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume." The American Council of Education formed a committee in 1932 to review the 1895 code, which was again reviewed and revised in both 1960 and 1965.

There are today three basic types of gowns and hoods. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. Recipients of the associate degrees wear gray gowns designed like the bachelor's gown. The master's gown is designed with an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist and with an arc cut away at the front of the sleeve. It may be worn either open or closed. The doctoral gown is of a full design with voluminous sleeves, and it also may be worn open or closed. Unlike the other two, the doctoral gown is faced down the front with velvet and with three velvet bars on the sleeves. These may be black or a color related to the subject of the degree. Thus, arts, letters and humanities may be white, business degrees may be drab or sapphire blue, education uses light blue, fine arts is brown, music is pink and science is golden yellow, to name a few.

The caps are always black, with a black tassel for baccalaureate degrees and a tassel of the color indicated above for master's. Doctoral caps usually have a tassel of metallic gold color.

The hoods worn by master's degree recipients are lined with the official colors of the institution awarding the degree. The binding and edging of the hood is silk or velvet in the color pertaining to the subject area. Doctoral hoods are longer and designed somewhat fuller, but the colors again are those of the institution granting the degree for the lining, and of the subject for the wide edging. There exists a small bachelor's hood, but generally it is not used in this country.

The hoods awarded in Missouri Southern ceremonies are a combination of colors from each of the collaborating institutions. Traditional colors and corresponding fields of study are:

Brown:	Fine Arts
Crimson:	Journalism
Dark Blue:	Philosophy
Golden Yellow:	Science
Lemon Yellow:	Library Science
Light Blue:	Education
Pink:	Music
Purple:	Law
Sage Green:	Physical Education
Scarlet:	Theology
White:	Arts, Letters, Humanities
Yellow Brown:	Commerce, Business, Accountancy